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Monitoring of Pesticide Residues
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the work being undertaken by the Government through Monitoring of Pesticides Residues at National Level (MPRNL) and the National Institute of Plant Health Management (NIPHM) from 2014 to till date;

(b) the details of the States where the MPRNL and NIPHM schemes are being implemented; and

(c) the concrete steps taken by the Government for the solution of plant problems through the said schemes?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a): Under MPRNL scheme including NIPHM from April, 2014-July, 2016, a total of 49,687 samples have been collected and analysed for the presence of pesticide residues and residues were detected above MRL in 1186 (2.4%) samples. Details may be seen At Annexure-I.

(b): The MPRNL scheme is being implemented through 25 participating laboratories including NIPHM representing various Ministries and Departments. Details may please be seen at Annexure-II.

(c): The data generated through these schemes are further submitted to Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR) for risk assessment and MRL fixation, used for Quality Assurance programme of participating laboratories, and also used for imparting Training Programme in pesticide residue analysis to all concerned for adoption of Good Agricultural Practices, to reduce the pesticide residues in Plant/Food.